

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

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A retainer clip is used for retaining a lock plug within a bore of a lock housing. The retainer clip includes a generally arcuate body disposable about the plug outer surface and having a radial retention surface positionable generally against a

10 housing end surface so as to prevent axial displacement of the plug along the bore. Two projections are each disposed proximal to a separate end of the body, each projection being disposable within a separate plug opening when the body is disposed on the plug to retain the clip engaged therewith. The clip body has a
15 hinge, a first arm portion extending between the hinge and one free end and a second arm portion extending between the hinge and the other end. The hinge is configured so that the two arm portions are deflectable generally about the hinge to move with respect to each other during installation and removal.